



MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 25, 1887.

THE WASHINGTON newspaper whose attempted defamation and injury, under the guise of interest in it, of that portion of the original District of Columbia which has been retroceded to Virginia, has been alluded to by the GAZETTE, says the concern it manifests in Alexandria is sincere. Why, for years past the paper referred to, with the exception of daily allusions to the new postoffice in its city, has been filled with accounts of alleged outlaws, outrages and disorder in Alexandria county, and the occasional arrests made at low houses and at policy shops in this city give both its local and editorial writers full scope for the publication of their imaginations. Its love for this city and county is so intense that it wants Congress to seize them both and annex them to Washington. The real estate agents in its own city say its constant defamation of Alexandria county has really deterred some people who contemplated buying homes there from doing so. It would do less harm if it would devote more of its time and attention to the policy dealers, card players, bucket shop keepers, horse racers and the numerous other sorts of gamblers, and to the other vicious characters on its own side of the river, and let the police authorities here attend to their own business in their own way. The judge of Alexandria county and the mayor of Alexandria city are both temperate in their habits and both have long been consistent members of Protestant churches, and the chief of police of the city has managed that force satisfactorily for a quarter of a century, so that it may well be supposed that they can be relied upon to discharge their duties without the unasked advice or assistance of a newspaper published in another city, infinitely more vicious in every respect, in proportion to population.

AN EFFORT is now being made in the South to raise a fund to provide comfortable homes for the indigent widows of ex-Confederate soldiers. The widows of all the soldiers of the federal army, rich as well as poor, are pensioned by the national government with money, a large portion of which is exacted from the poor Confederate widows referred to, by taxes on the necessities of life, but the latter have no government to pension them, and their only escape from starvation is in the poor's house of their respective counties or on the charity of their own people who are able to help them. Appeals for subscription to such a fund should not be denied.

SOME PEOPLE who don't know what they are talking about say, not emigration, but education, is the chief hope for the welfare and happiness of the negroes of this country. If such people knew any thing of the real condition of the negroes in the South before, in an evil hour for themselves, they were emancipated and lost the care and protection of their masters, they would think more and talk less. Book learning is grieving to white people, let alone to negroes. A little learning is a dangerous thing. When the negroes were slaves they were the best cared for and the happiest people on the face of the earth.

THE U. S. Senate, which made haste a year ago to assist the President in his as yet unexplained effort to provoke a war with Great Britain, now asserts its intention of taking all the time it deems necessary to consider a treaty by which arbitration, instead of war, may be resorted to as a means of settling differences with the mother country. Messrs. Hoar and Chandler and other leading republican Senators, and not Senators Peffer, Allen, Tillman and Butler, are now the wild men of the U. S. Senate. Jingoism in the most injurious form of wildness.

Some republican congressmen, when excited, occasionally acknowledge what is known to every body else as well as themselves. Mr. Steele, of Indiana, is one of them. When one of his pension bills was objected to last week on his own side of the House, he said "fully 90 per cent. of the pension bills were for persons no more entitled to special legislation than were thousands of others for whom it was not asked." It is a crying shame that many industrious people are suffering from cold and hunger, while others, well-to-do, are drawing fraudulent pensions.

A MAN is now, and for some time has been, confined in jail in New York, not charged with any crime, but simply because he has no money with which to pay a debt. New York gave a large republican majority last fall. In Virginia, which at the same election went democratic, a man cannot be imprisoned for debt. But the South is only half, while the North is wholly, civilized—that is, according to the prevalent idea in the latter section.

The eight thousand families in Chi-

cago who are on the charity list of that city have not much opinion of the eye sight of Governor O'Ferrall of this State, who, two months ago, saw the dawn of advancing prosperity.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.

The Senate committee on judiciary took no action on the nomination of W.D. McHugh, nominated to be district judge for the district of Nebraska. The weekly postponement of the consideration of this nomination is looked upon as an indication of the desire of the committee to leave this appointment hanging until the end of the session. The nomination of Charles B. Hoey, of Mississippi, to be associate justice of the court of claims, and Chas. P. Armidon to be district judge for the district of North Dakota, was ordered to be favored reported with the proviso that action shall not be taken by the Senate until Senator Mitchell in the one case, and Senator Hansbrough in the other, can be heard from.

The annual convention of the American Masters and Pilots' Association is in session here to-day. The convention is composed of one delegate from each of the forty-seven lodges in the country covering the territory between Portland, Me., Portland, Ore., Duluth, Minn., to New Orleans. The object of the order is to obtain legislation for the benefit of the pilots on the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Great Lakes.

Senator Chandler to-day offered a bill providing that no person or persons shall be indicted, tried or convicted in any court of the United States for the doing of any act or acts whatever in aid of the republic of Cuba, or of the body of whatever name known now engaged in military conflict in the island of Cuba against the government of Spain, which would not be unlawful according to the laws of war.

Senator Chandler to-day proposed an amendment to the postal laws making the rate of postage on letters after July 1st at one cent per half ounce.

Ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii sent a note to the President this morning asking permission to pay "an informal personal call" upon him at 3 o'clock to-day, explaining that it had been her custom in Honolulu to receive such visits from Americans traveling under circumstances similar to those which brought her to this country. The note was taken to the White House by Joseph Heleluie, the ex-queen's major domo, and Mr. Julius N. Palmer, of Boston, whose guest the ex-queen has been in that city. The President sent back to Mrs. Dominis by the same messengers a brief note graciously accepting the desired interview at the hour named.

The Supreme Court will take the usual February recess, beginning next Monday, and ending Monday March 1. The consular and diplomatic bill reported to the House to-day carries an appropriation of \$1,551,808, which is an increase of \$20,000 over the appropriation for the current fiscal year.

Ensign Noah T. Coleman, who was recently tried by court martial here for inefficiency and disobedience or orders and sentenced to a year's suspension, has had that sentence commuted to a year's leave of absence.

The Attorney General to-day stated to the Senate that an agreement has been made with the re-organization committee of the Union Pacific Railway respecting the foreclosure of the government on the property of that company.

The Senate committee on foreign relations discussed the general treaty of arbitration this morning for more than an hour, but no conclusion was reached on any point. The whole time seems to have been devoted to a discussion of the relations of the Nicaragua canal and the Clayton-Bulwer treaty to this proposed new convention. Many suggestions were offered, but none took tangible form. In respect of the arbitration treaty, some of the Senators this morning say they think it will fail, as three-fourths of the Senators, the required number, can hardly be found to vote for it. The support it receives from the preachers seems to have hurt it, as though they profess to be so much in favor of peace now, it was only a short time ago that they wanted to bring on a war with Turkey, in behalf of the Armenians, that would have involved the whole civilized world in war.

The desk of Representative Benton McMillan, of Tennessee, who has just returned to Washington with his bride, was adorned to-day with a beautiful bouquet that had been laid upon it by some of his many admirers.

Representative Tyler, of the Norfolk district, having been informed that there was no other way by which Fielding Lewis Marshall, of his district, one of the cadets recently dropped at West Point for deficiency in studies, could get back there, reappointed him to-day, so that he will start there again next summer.

It was stated in this correspondence of Saturday last that the bill to pay the heirs of the late Henry Fitzhugh of Virginia for property taken from him by the federal army during the war between the States would have passed the Senate but for the opposition of Mr. Sherman. Mr. Sherman succeeded later on this day in preventing the passage of bills for the benefit of Mark Davis of Petersburg, and to pay Wm. Babby \$1,728 for supplies furnished military prisoners in the jail at Alexandria during the war.

Congressman Otey of Virginia was engaged to-day in an effort to have Hamner, who is now in the penitentiary for robbing the First National Bank of Lynchburg, of which he was teller, pardoned. He has served two of the seven years of his sentence, which Mr. Otey thinks is sufficient punishment in view of the circumstances of the case.

Notwithstanding the newspaper talk about the probable failure of Mr. Hanna to secure a seat in the Senate, well informed republicans from Ohio here say he is sure to get it, not only because Mr. McKinley wants him to have it, but for the stronger reason that Mr. Hanna has at his disposal all the money—no matter how much—it may cost.

There is practically no improvement in the condition of Senator George of Mississippi, who is lying seriously ill at the Garfield Memorial Hospital. He was better yesterday and rested well last night, but there was no change for the better noticed to-day.

That part of the shipping laws of the United States which authorizes the arrest of sailors who refuse to observe the terms of their contracts to serve on board vessels, was to-day declared by the Supreme Court to be constitutional and within the jurisdiction of State courts to enforce.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

President Cleveland returned to Washington Saturday night from his ducking trip near Quantico.

Mrs. Mary Buttner died in a Catholic Church in New York yesterday just after she had left a confessional.

It is said that Gov. Bushnell, of Ohio, will appoint Lt. Gov. Jones, and not Mr. Hanna, to the U. S. Senate.

Senator James Z. George, of Mississippi, is extremely ill at Garfield Hospital, Washington, where he has been for three weeks past.

It is estimated that the mask ball Mrs. Bradley gave will give in New York next month will cost her and those who attended \$300,000.

Minister Rodriguez, of the Greater Republic of Central America, resents the attack which Senator Morgan made upon him the other evening in the Senate in reference to the Nicaragua canal bill.

Mrs. Maria Lloyd Steele, daughter of Francis Scott Key, author of the national song, "The Star Spangled Banner," died of bronchitis, in Annapolis, Saturday morning, in the ninety-second year of her age.

Joseph I. Peyton, a patent attorney, of Washington, committed suicide yesterday by blowing out his brains. Despondency, due to physical disorder, was, it is believed, the cause for the act. He was forty-nine years of age.

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VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mr. W. W. Timberlake, one of the oldest citizens of Richmond, died yesterday.

The handsome new residence of Mr. L. E. Rice, Winchester, was almost totally destroyed by fire Saturday morning.

Manly B. Ramos & Co., the oldest and best known piano and organ dealers in Richmond, made an assignment Saturday.

Prof. J. H. Gilmore, for eleven years instructor of law at the University of Virginia, has removed to Marion, Va., where he intends to practice his profession.

The field on which was fought the battle of Big Bethel has been sold to Dr. Walton Churchill, of England, for \$4,000. The purchaser will cultivate the land.

Dr. Jesse Ewell, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Prince William county, died at his home, near Hickory Grove, Monday last, in the ninety-sixth year of his age.

Al Gray has been given the position of clinical assistant of the University of Virginia by Dr. Buckmaster and also that of assistant demonstrator of pathology by Dr. Johnston Davis.

Deputy Internal Revenue Collector S. L. Monroe, assisted by Revenue Officers Deer and Yarbrough, seized about two hundred gallons of apple brandy at the distillery of Mr. William Corbins in Culpeper county on Saturday. They brought the brandy to Culpeper for safe storage.

Mrs. Dorothy Cline, of Conover, became insane Saturday week, and, going to a deep well, tied the rope about her neck and swung off. She was precipitated seventy-five feet to the bottom. Several ribs were broken, but she escaped instant death and it is now thought that she will recover.

Capt. John H. Bernes died Thursday at his home in Fairfax county. At the outbreak of the war he joined Mosby's company, and served with honor. Since the war he had been elected to several positions of trust by the people of Fairfax. He had been failing for some time. The interment was in Fairfax cemetery.

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NOTORIOUS CHINAMAN KILLED.

Little Pete, the most noted Chinaman in San Francisco, was murdered by his countrymen in Chinatown Saturday night. He was sitting in a chair in a Chinese barber shop, when three Chinese entered and shot him, inflicting a wound from the effects of which he died in a short time. The murderers were arrested. The murder is the outcome of a quarrel between two of the Chinese Six Companies, and it is supposed the murderers are Highlanders hired to do the job.

Little Pete had a varied and remarkable career in San Francisco, and for years had been the most influential Chinaman in that part of the country. Whenever any of his countrymen were in trouble Little Pete was always called upon to help them out, and he achieved a reputation for jury fixing that almost landed him in the penitentiary. He was at the head of the business of importing Chinese women to this country for immoral purposes, and waxed wealthy. Little Pete, although he spoke English fluently, retained his Chinese dress as a matter of policy. He controlled many of the gambling dens in Chinatown, and his revenues from that source were large. He was an all-around sport. He played the races heavily, and made some big winnings. He was so successful in picking winners that about a year ago the race-track people became suspicious, and it was found he had a number of jockeys in his employ. Little Pete was ruled off the turf, together with the dishonest jockeys.

Excitement in Wytheville. Wytheville was thrown into a state of excitement Saturday night when Chief of Police Thomas L. Moyers shot and killed Tom Johnson, the colored porter at the Fourth Avenue Hotel. Moyers had a warrant for the arrest of Johnson for assaulting his young nephew, Earle Moyers. When he attempted to serve the warrant, the negro snatched the club from the policeman's hands and struck him several severe blows on the head. Moyers then fired two shots, which took effect in Johnson's abdomen and shoulder. The wounded man died in about an hour. When the news spread among the negroes, they threatened violence. There was a general rush for arms, and hurrying feet could be heard in every direction. A crowd collected around the hotel, and a riot was imminent. Meanwhile, Deputy Sheriff W. S. White and T. S. Davidson succeeded in securing Moyers. A posse was organized and patrolled the streets until a late hour. Moyers was yesterday morning brought before County Judge W. E. Fulton and a motion made by his counsel, Blair & Blair, to admit him to bail, but the court refused to hear the motion on Sunday, and remanded Moyers to jail till this evening. The jail was guarded last night.

Settled Out of Court.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 25.—Four suits for damages aggregating \$3,310,000 against D. H. Hostetter, the bitters manufacturer of Pittsburgh Pa., have been settled out of court. All the suits grew out of what is known as the Baltimore project, which contemplated a through railroad line from the coal fields of Pennsylvania to the tidewater at Baltimore.

The Strike Probably Ended.

LEADVILLE, Col., Jan. 25.—At a conference of miners last night the union members resolved to end the strike of the miners and seek work in the mines. While this does not definitely settle the strike it is hoped that it may soon reach that end.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, January 25.

SENATE.

In his opening prayer this morning the chaplain referred to the illness of the senior Senators—Voorhees and George—and to the tribute to be paid to-day to ex-Speaker Crisp, of Georgia. Cardinal Gibbons, wearing the red skull-cap of his office, occupied, for a few minutes, a seat in the diplomatic gallery, and ex-Senator Manderson, of Nebraska, a seat in the reserved gallery.

A communication was laid before the Senate from the attorney general, in response to a resolution of Saturday last in relation to the foreclosure proceedings in the case of the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

Mr. Burrows presented petitions on the subject of the Senatorial election in Delaware and Mr. Chandler gave notice that it was his purpose to suggest to the Senate whether some method cannot be established to "prevent the wholesale larceny of senatorships in various States."

Mr. Faulkner called Mr. Chandler's attention to the fact that the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Gray) was not present; and Mr. Chandler said that it would give him pleasure to repeat his statement in that Senator's presence, to which remark Mr. Faulkner replied that the Senator from New Hampshire would have full opportunity to make his statement before long.

Mr. Pettigrew offered a resolution for a special committee of five Senators to inquire to the issue of land patents to the Pacific railroads, and to the California and Oregon railroads; and to the diversion from the reports of gross earnings, of the sums paid to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company. Referred.

Mr. Chandler introduced a bill, which was referred to the judiciary committee, providing that no persons shall be tried in courts of the United States for acts in aid of the republic of Cuba.

The military academy appropriation bill was taken up, the pending question being on the participation of the West Point cadets in the approaching inaugural ceremonies.

After remarks by Mr. Thurston in support of the amendment the bill was laid aside to give Mr. Turpie the opportunity to address the Senate in regard to Cuban matters.

The hour of 2 p. m. having now arrived the Nicaraguan canal bill was laid before the Senate but at the request of Mr. Morgan was postponed until to-morrow.

Then Mr. Turpie began the second part of his speech on the relations of the President to Congress in regard to the recognition of the Cuban republic.

At 3 o'clock (after receiving the President's message giving the list of persons claiming to be American citizens arrested in Cuba) the Senate suspended business to listen to eulogies on the late Speaker Crisp and immediately afterwards adjourned.

HOUSE.

Mr. Danforth gave notice that on Wednesday next, after the reading of the journal, he would call up the conference report on the immigration bill. After the disposition of several private bills business relating to the District of Columbia was taken up.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Foreign News. ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 25.—The Grand Duchess Xenia, sister of the Emperor of Russia, and wife of the Grand Duke Alexander Michaelovitch, gave birth to a son to-day.

CAIRO, Jan. 25.—An Egyptian commission has started on a tour of the various Red Sea ports to arrange precautionary measures against the bubonic plague, which is raging in Bombay and other parts of India.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The formal enthronement of the Rt. Hon. and Rev. Mandell Creighton, who was recently appointed bishop of London, will take place on January 30.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—A meeting of the Irish national party in Parliament was held to-day, at which Michael Davitt, member for Southern Mayo, offered a resolution declaring that every member of the Irish parliamentary party must loyally aid in carrying out the policy of the majority under the pain of expulsion from the party organization. The resolution was adopted.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. A. J. Balfour stated that there was no probability that the government would take the initiative in any movement to bring about an international monetary conference.

Fatal Accident.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Jan. 25.—A fatal accident occurred in this locality last evening. Frederick Graeber, a bank clerk, started out for a drive Sunday afternoon, taking with him his affianced bride, Miss Maude Gothie. At about 7 o'clock on their return trip they reached the top of the mountain and were within one mile and a-half of home when their carriage with the two horses and the occupants was precipitated into a mine breach. Their situation was not discovered until 4 o'clock this morning, and a rescuing party soon arrived. Mr. Graeber was found about forty feet from the surface with both his legs broken. Miss Gothie was dead when her body was reached. Mr. Graeber and Miss Gothie were to have been married after Lent.

Many People Frozen.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Seventy-six people have been more or less frozen, according to police and other reports, since the cold wave came Saturday night, up to 10 o'clock this morning. From two below zero early on Saturday evening the thermometer began to drop rapidly until at 7 o'clock this morning the weather bureau reported it had gone down to 21 below. At ten o'clock this morning it was 16 below. In almost every drug store in the city the proprietors and clerks are kept busy thawing out frozen ears and noses. The motormen, conductors, street car drivers and teamsters were the worst sufferers from the cold. The cable roads experienced considerable difficulty from contraction of the cable slots.

A Corpse Wrapped in Flames.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 25.—While two children of Joseph Jasmine, of Putnam, were acting as night watch for their dead sister they fell asleep, and in some manner the candles about the body were upset. The light draperies were quickly in a blaze. The children, almost suffocated, were awakened, and succeeded in arousing their parents, who had been tired out with care and watching during their daughter's illness. When they finally succeeded in extinguishing the fire, lit-

tle remained of the dead body but charred and blackened bones. The parents were also badly burned about the hands and bodies.

A Costly Residence Burned.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—The residence of Charles J. Barnes, on Calumet Avenue, was totally destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. His private library, one of the finest in the United States, and collection of valuable bric-a-brac were destroyed, and with the damage to the building and furnishings will make the loss fully \$200,000, fully covered by insurance. The adjoining building, occupied by A. H. Cohen, was damaged to the extent of \$15,000. The origin of the fire is attributed to a crossed electric wire in the basement.

Low Temperature.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Chicago tasted the deadliest bitterness of winter yesterday. It was the coldest day in 25 years, according to the records of the weather bureau. Two deaths occurred, which were due to the cold and a number of people are likely to die as the result of frozen limbs or exposure.

MAINE, N. Y., Jan. 25.—The weather here was the coldest of the season this morning but the record of the thermometer registered from 26 to 30 degrees below zero and the mercury touching 32 degrees below at 7 a. m. at Saranac Lake. A stiff gale and drifting snow added to the severity of the day in this county and practically stopped all outdoor business.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Dispatches from throughout the country tell of intense cold weather now prevailing. In Fremont, Ohio, the thermometer registered 14° below zero. Natural gas supply gave out temporarily, and people were obliged to go to bed to keep warm. Stores using gas for fuel had to close, the schools were dismissed, and common police court was suspended. At Fort Wayne, Ind., the mercury registered 20° below zero, and factories and foundries suspended. In other cities, including Indianapolis, where natural gas is used, there is much suffering.

In northern New York the mercury registered from 5 to 30° below zero and the roads were blocked with snow. At Detroit the mercury registered 15° below and in other parts of Michigan from 5 to 25° below; at Cincinnati 9° below; and there is much suffering among the poor; in St. Louis the mercury dropped to zero and there was much suffering. 400 people being sheltered in the city hall last night; in Minneapolis the mercury registered 31° below zero; at Omaha, 13° below, with 10 inches of ice; Wyoming and South Dakota from 20 to 30° below, and Colorado, 10 below. Through Chicago, Arkansas and northern Texas the temperature has fallen from 30 to 70° in the past 36 hours, and in the latter section light snow has fallen. In western Texas the storm reached the proportions of a blizzard, with severe loss on the cattle ranches. Throughout southern Illinois and western Tennessee the weather is the coldest of the season. The mercury in many places is below zero, and a light snow storm is prevailing. At Louisville, Ky., the temperature dropped to 3° below zero.

NATHAN, Mass., Jan. 25.—A northeast gale has swept over this section since midnight accompanied by the most bitter cold of the season forcing sailing craft under lee of Chatham Beach anchorage. All the ships are very badly ice-laden. The thermometer was six above at daylight.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

John C. Reid, formerly managing editor of the New York Times, and recently in charge of the literature bureau of the republican State committee, died at his residence in New York this morning. Heart disease was the cause of death.

The petition which is said to have been signed by New England Senators asking Maj. McKinley to appoint T. Jefferson Coolidge to the position of Secretary of the Treasury has not reached Canton. It is practically settled, however, that ex-Gov. Long, of Massachusetts, will be the New England member of the cabinet. Lyman J. Gage, of Chicago, is spoken of as Secretary of the Treasury.

A frame building in West Brattleboro, Vt., was destroyed by fire early this morning and Leroy Amidon, 17 years old, a student at Brattleboro Academy, lost his life. He got out safely, but he returned to get his effects and was suffocated.

Fire last night destroyed the greater part of Red Lake Falls, Minn. The First State Bank and postoffice were among the buildings destroyed. The loss is \$40,000.

Col. W. B. Hale dropped dead on the street at Columbus, Mo., yesterday, from heart disease. He was at one time general passenger agent of the Walsh railway.

Thousands are Trying it. On receipt of ten cents, cash or stamps, a generous sample will be mailed of the most popular Catarrh and Hay Fever Cure (Ely's Cream Balm), sufficient to demonstrate its great merit. Full size 50c.

ELY BROTHERS, 501 Warren Street, New York City.

It is the medicine above all others for catarrh, and is worth its weight in gold. I can use Ely's Cream Balm with safety and it does all that is claimed for it.—B. W. Sperry, Hartford, Conn.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Without any increase in the volume of business to speak of, prices at the Stock Exchange showed a tendency to advance this morning. The improvement, except in a few instances, was unimportant, say 1/4% per cent. Speculation at eleven o'clock was firm in tone with prices at or near the best of the morning.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN ALEXANDRIA

Flour Extra.....	4 00	a	4 25
Family.....	4 65	a	4 90
Fancy brands.....	5 40	a	5 90
Wheat, longberry.....	0 84	a	0 88
Putz.....	0 81	a	0 85
Ground.....	0 80	a	0 82
Fair.....	0 73	a	0 75
Damp and tough.....	0 65	a	0 70
Corn, white.....	0 27	a	0 28
Yellow.....	0 27	a	0 28
Corn Meal.....	0 33	a	0 35
Corn Meal.....	0 28	a	0 30
Oats, mixed (new).....	0 23	a	0 24
Damp.....	0 18	a	0 20
White.....	0 22	a	0 23
Butter, Virginia, packed.....	0 13	a	0 15
Choice Virginia.....	0 15	a	0 18
Common to middling.....	0 10	a	0 12
Eggs.....	0 14	a	0 15
Beef, hind quarters.....	0 5	a	0 6
Fore quarters.....	0 3	a	0 4
Live Chickens (hens).....	0 6	a	0 7
Spring.....	0 7	a	0 8
Turkeys.....	0 12	a	0 13
Veal Calves.....	0 5	a	0 6
Lams, spring.....	0 3	a	0 4
Hogs, small.....	0 4	a	0 5
Large.....	0 4	a	0 4
Potatoes, Va., bush, large.....	0 35	a	0 40
Sweet Potatoes, bush.....	1 30	a	1 40
Apples, bush.....	0 10	a	0 12
Onions, per bushel.....	1 00	a	1 25
Dried Peaches, peeled.....	0 5	a	0 6
Unpeeled.....	0 3	a	0 4
Dried Apples.....	0 8	a	0 10
Recd. Apples.....	0 11	a	0 13
Best sugar-cured hams.....	0 10	a	0 11
Butcher's hams.....	0 10	a	0 11
Breakfast Bacon.....	0 7	a	0 7
Sugar-cured shoulders.....	0 5	a	0 6
Bell shoulders.....	0 5	a	0 6
Salt sides.....	0 4	a	0 5
Fat sides.....	0 4	a	0 5
Bellies.....	0 6	a	0 7